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Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:

Applicants argue, “In fact, Suga does not disclose an exothermic peak temperature at all. Instead, Suga discloses a curing initiation temperature. The curing initiation temperature is the temperature at which curing is initiated. The exothermic peak temperature, by contrast, is the temperature at which the curing reaction is most actively occurring.”.

This argument was addressed in paragraph 7 of the Final Rejection mailed 6/16/08. Applicants claims are not commensurate in scope with this argument as the claims do not require “the exothermic peak temperature is the temperature at which the curing reaction is most actively occurring” just as the claims do not require “the exothermic peak temperature, which is the peak temperature produced by the curing reaction” as asserted in applicants response of 3/10/08. In any event, the claims require “an exothermic peak temperature” wherein the curing initiation temperature is the kickoff of the exothermic peak (as evidenced by applicants provided EP0845507) which is evidence that the curing initiation temperature is “an exothermic peak temperature”.

Applicant further argues, “It is true that Tsukagoshi at col. 10, ll. 55-67 discloses an exothermic peak temperature in the range of 50 to 150°C. However, Applicants in claim 1 recite a narrower range of 80°C to 120°C, and have explained above the significance of this range.”.

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